

**Town of Embden**  
**Minutes of the Board of Selectpersons**  
February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2023, 6:15pm at the Embden Town Office

**Board Members in Attendance:** Charles Taylor, Wayne McLaughlin, Janice Welch

**Other Officials Present:** Ruth Blake, Leo Mayo, Josh Nunes

**Members of the Public Present:**

**Minutes recorded by:** Christine Jablon

1. **Call to Order:** Charles called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Consent Agenda**
  - a. Approved, January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, minutes: Janice made motion to approve the minutes as corrected, Wayne seconded. Passed 3-0.
  - b. Review Town Warrant – (AP # 9,10, and payroll # 8) – All signed and approved.
  - c. Bank Reconciliation- January Bank Rec will be completed in February
4. **Appointments and Resignations-** Janice made motion to accept Eleanor’s verbal resignation as of the end of November 2022. Wayne seconded, passes 3-0. Janice made motion to have Christy step in as E-911 Officer until the end of Eleanor’s term in April 2023.
5. **Presentation-** None
6. **Executive Session-** 1 M.R.S.A. 405(6)(A) Janice made motion to enter session at 7:00 p.m., Wayne seconded. Janice made motion to come out session at 7:33p.m., Wayne seconded. No action taken
7. **Department Officials’ Reports**
  - a. E-911 – Eleanor said she was done as E-911 Officer at the end of November. The Deputy will take over through March.
  - b. Winter Roads Contractor – Josh asked if we could shift Nunes payment to the first warrant of the month instead of the second. Janice made motion to accept, Wayne seconded. Passes 3-0. It has been a busy week and a half clearing the roads. The grader will be brought out next week to take care of the high banks, as well as clean out around the electric sign. There has been a problem with people plowing snow from their driveways across the road. There is also a lot of logging going on. Josh said they have gone through a lot of sand so far this year.
  - c. Animal Control – Nothing to report
  - d. Assessor – Nothing to report
  - e. Planning Board – Reviewed Article 37 for the Public Hearing February 16<sup>th</sup>. Charlespaul1226
  - f. sent Ann information on the moratorium for Solar Farms.
  - g. Board of Appeals – Nothing to report
  - h. Local Plumbing Inspector – Not too much is going on.
  - i. Code Enforcement Officer- Nothing to report
  - j. Health Officer- The flu is going around
  - k. Road Commissioner – Nothing to report
  - l. RSU#74- Robert Lightbody will be right in for the School Board this election. (Nomination Papers were not given out) His term is up this March.
  - m. Town Clerk/Treasurer- Christy is has been busy putting together the Town Report. It needs to be ready to go to the printers by February 14<sup>th</sup>. She also had a busy month in January sending out letters to unlicensed dog owners and registering dogs before the \$25 late fee is added February 1<sup>st</sup>. Christy has been working with Keel to get the 2022 audit completed.
  - n. Registrar of Voters – Christy is getting ready for the Municipal Election March 3<sup>rd</sup>, and the Town Meeting March 4<sup>th</sup>.
  - o. Tax Collector – Ruth has collected \$15,781.03 since January 5<sup>th</sup>.
  - p. Community Center – Bob’s Cash Fuel put in a new the sewing room. There is a problem with the main door. It is not closing properly. The ECC does not want people advertising on their website. The Thrift Store will be closed this Saturday. However, the ECC will be ready as a warning shelter if needed.
8. **Unfinished Business** – Nothing to report
9. **New Business** – Nothing to report
10. **Correspondence-** Nothing to report
11. **Community Relations, Announcements, and Open Public Forum-** There is a concern about a dog being left outside on the Perkins Rd
12. **Next Meeting Announcement & Adjournment** –
  - a. Next regularly scheduled meeting – March 2nd, 2023.
  - b. Janice made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Wayne seconded, and the Board voted 3-0 to adjourn at 7:35 pm.